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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices in the West unchanged, all other areas unchanged to higher. Trade sentiment fully steady to firm in the Northeast, at least steady elsewhere. Retail demand light to moderate, best where buying interest was up due to harsh weather. Food service was mostly moderate, best into fast food. Supplies sufficient to closely cleared with some still experiencing plant closures, processing delays, and delivery difficulties resulting from continued winter storms in the East and Midwest. In the parts structure, wings were close balanced to tight with strong demand. All other parts were at least sufficient for light interest. In production areas, live supplies moderate to light as extreme cold brought higher mortality rates. Weights were mostly desirable.

Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 01/01-01/06/01 (cents per lb)

AREAS	MAJORITY	US GRADE A (Includes branded product)				COMPOSITE	
		WTD	LOADS	WTD	LOADS	AVG	AVG
		AVG		AVG			
Bos/New Eng	50.00-51.00	50.81	16	54.84	25		
Chicago	49.00-53.00	51.30	41	53.89	66		
Cincinnati	TFEWR	—	—	61.08	13		
Cleveland	TFEWR	—	—	58.41	22		
Denver	65.50	65.44	17	64.03	22		
Detroit	50.00-53.00	51.93	15	55.12	39		
Los Angeles	66.00	63.43	69	61.27	159		
New York	48.00-50.00	49.29	28	53.48	59		
Philadelphia	47.00-49.00	48.36	7	50.88	21		
Pittsburgh	48.00-50.00	49.27	11	56.22	56		
St. Louis	51.25-51.50	50.95	15	52.73	33		
San Francisco	66.50	65.80	30	66.01	75		

Composite 12 City Weighted Average

Loads	01/01/01	Change/Last Wk	12/25/00	01/03/00
590	57.17	0.96	56.21	58.06

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
East	55.00-60.00	57.66	44
Central	55.00-60.00	58.13	53
West	51.00-63.00	57.56	51

Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	58.00-61.00	60.80	78
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GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 61.50 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,047	48.00-63.00	60.36

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
BREASTS - B/S	126.50	4,217
BREASTS - WHOLE	59.50	1,413
THIGH MEAT - B/S	80.00	661
LEG QUARTERS	23.50	8,493
WINGS	85.00	2,745

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole birds ranged fair to moderate at best as dealers cautiously assessed the market entering the week. Offerings of all sizes about adequate to well balanced. Movement into retail and distributive channels mostly fair to instances fairly good, best where inclement weather stimulated consumer buying. The market tone fully steady to instances firm. In the parts complex, wings remained the best item and were no more than adequate to instances tight. The balance of parts more than sufficient for most immediate needs.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was steady. Demand was seasonally light to moderate with needs being assessed following the extended holiday weekend. Supplies were sufficient to close balanced for trade needs. Processing schedules were part time due to yesterday's holiday and severe winter weather delaying or canceling schedules in parts of Alabama. In the parts structure, wings were tight of an active call. The remaining items were adequate to ample with light to fair movement. In production areas, live supplies were moderate to light due to cold weather increasing DOA's. Weights were desirable to heavy, mostly desirable.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged. Trading for this week's deliveries were at unchanged prices on regular commitment and mixed on new negotiations. Offerings overall adequate. Most southern producers were back working normal slaughter operations. Demand by stores moderate to good, best to cover planned features. Demand by restaurants fairly good overall, best by fast food. Dealers reported moderate weekend carryovers. The market tone remained firm on wings with balance of parts about steady. Reported trading on parts for delivery into California: leg quarters 4/10s 23-23.5, bulk 20.5-23.5, bone-in breasts 55-67, random weight boneless breasts 111-116; less than trucklot wings 92, whole legs 43, boneless leg meat 68, boneless thighs 75. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG average was 52.41 up .59 with the volume reported up 3 percent.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices for this week's deliveries were higher in St. Louis and Chicago, unchanged into Detroit with Ohio reporting TFEWR from last Monday's final majority. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offerings were in line with trade needs. Movement into all channels was light to fair at best, except in Chicago where food service demand was moderate to good. Floor stocks were adequate, sizes desirable. Parts trading was quiet overall with supplies of wings tight and the balance of items fully adequate. Trade sentiment was fully steady on wings and steady on all other items.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was about moderate and was sufficient in keeping offerings in good balance to well cleared. Plants closing for the holiday and adverse weather conditions in terminal markets had disrupted shipping schedules. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 cent higher at 51 to 65 cents. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Parts, both cuts and volumes available varied from closely cleared to fully adequate. ACTUAL SLAUGHTER WEEK ENDING 12/30/2000 WAS 9,690,725 @ 4.96 LBS.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA **BRANDED U.S. GRADE A**

RANGE	40-61
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	52.88
NO. OF BOXES	13,288

*7 of 8 plants reporting.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying interest was mostly light to fair entering the week as dealers cautiously gauged the market and acquired little beyond normal commitments. Offerings of breast items were at least adequate, and dark meat parts were more than sufficient. Wings remained the best item as strong demand kept product no more than adequate to closely cleared. Movement into retail channels was very good over the holiday weekend as winter weather spurred active consumer buying activity. The market tone was fully steady on wings, about steady on the balance.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	115-120	121.49	627,520
TENDERLOINS	130-135	134.85	185,280
BREAST - WITH RIBS	47-48	53.94	317,320
BREAST - LINE RUN	47	46.88	144,000
LEGS	33-34	36.20	213,640
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	20-21	20.01	603,932
DRUMSTICKS	26-27	33.12	226,520
THIGHS	30-31	31.67	267,520
B/S THIGHS	78-79	83.96	52,760
WINGS (WHOLE)	86-87	94.58	370,240
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.04	107,240
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	39.78	106,280
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	65-70	69.78	156,240

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS

F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED OR CO2 PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,161	100.00-118.00	105-110	107.52
TENDERLOINS		NO TRADING REPORTED		
BREAST - WITH RIBS		NO TRADING REPORTED		
FRONT HALVES		NO TRADING REPORTED		
LEGS		NO TRADING REPORTED		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	483	17.00-22.00	17	17.44
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,563	19.00-21.75	19	19.28
WINGS (WHOLE)		NO TRADING REPORTED		
DRUMSTICKS		NO TRADING REPORTED		
THIGHS	480	23.00-24.00	-	23.50

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	01/01	12/28	12/28	12/25	12/21
ALA	Holiday	3,889	5.03	Holiday	4.95
ARK	(A)	3,243	5.06	Holiday	4.81
DELMARVA	Holiday	2,328	4.88	Holiday	4.89
LA-TENN	Holiday	2,010	4.53	Holiday	4.53
MISS	Holiday	2,801	5.09	Holiday	5.17
NC	(A)	2,567	5.88	Holiday	5.73
TEXAS	Holiday	2,401	4.94	Holiday	4.99
TOTAL	924	19,239	5.08	0	5.00
MON	924(B)			0(B)	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations

(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 01-Jan 2001

is estimated to be 1,382,000 UP from a week ago and down 95.02 a year ago.

(Last week 0, last year 27,754,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED OR CO2 PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	741	110.00-175.00	125-132	130.51
TENDERLOINS	152	135.00-195.00	140-145	146.99
BREAST - LINE RUN	83	59.00-64.50	-	60.20
FRONT HALVES	100	39.00-45.00	-	41.70
LEGS	46	30.00-43.00	30-32	31.70
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	61	17.00-20.00	17-18	18.03
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,627	19.00-26.00	20-23	21.66
WINGS (WHOLE)	260	82.00-89.00	84-86	85.40
WINGS (CUT)	498	87.00-115.00	97-99	99.80
DRUMSTICKS	41	37.00-43.00	-	37.15
THIGHS	46	27.00-43.00	-	27.35
B/S THIGHS	5	83.00-87.00	-	83.80

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS
TRADING FOR JANUARY 02, 2001 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
28.00 - 32.50	29.87	30.05

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO:

IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI

WEEK OF 01-JAN-2001 TO 05-JAN-2001, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	105.00 - 125.00	112.00 - 115.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	49.00 - 63.00	50.00 - 55.00
LEGS	29.00 - 42.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	17.00 - 24.00	19.00 - 20.00
DRUMSTICKS	30.00 - 45.00	-
THIGHS	26.00 - 36.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	82.00 - 90.00	84.00 - 87.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 20.00	-
LIVERS	25.00 - 46.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35.00 - 48.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	79-85
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	82-87
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	81
FROZEN DUCKS	139
FROZEN SQUABS	589
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)	
FRESH FRYERS	81-84
ROASTERS 4# & UP	71-93
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	81
DUCKS	139
RABBITS-WHOLE	294
RABBITS-CUT UP	299

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK	103-106
	ICE PACK	93-96
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	105-112
	DRY PACK	112-119
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	98
	DRY PACK	94
DUCKS		152-166

EASTERN REGION PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. 29-DEC-00

CHICKEN PRICES

FAT CONTENT	-----FROZEN-----		-----FRESH-----	
	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	17.00	-
WTD AVERAGE			17.00	

150,000 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN

15% OR LESS

RANGE	17.00-21.00	-	-	16.00
WTD AVERAGE	19.30			16.00

884,000 pounds, this includes 104,000 pounds for export shipment.

15-20%

RANGE	16.00-21.00	-	12.00-14.00	13.00
WTD AVERAGE	18.33		13.14	13.00

2,078,000 pounds, this includes 876,000 pounds for export shipment.

20% OR MORE

RANGE	-	-	-	13.50
WTD AVERAGE				13.50

160,000 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATES: CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

****Effective January 5, 2001 all prices and volumes of mechanically separated chicken meat and chicken with added skin will be reported on an FOB shipper dock or equivalent basis so prices can be more accurately compared within and between regions.****

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading was slightly higher compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent heavy hens. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was at least steady. HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) * FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 01-JAN-01

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5-10.5	6-8	7.41

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

CENTRAL REGION PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. 29-DEC-00

CHICKEN PRICES

FAT CONTENT	-----FROZEN-----		-----FRESH-----	
	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN

15% OR LESS

RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

15-20%

RANGE	18.00-19.00	20.00-21.00	11.00-13.00	13.00-14.00
WTD AVERAGE	18.09	20.50	11.70	13.50

1,591,200 pounds, this includes 1,224,000 pounds for export shipment.

20% OR MORE

RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

* INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATES: AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged to higher when compared to a week earlier. Trading was fair due in part to holiday schedules, weather conditions and short supplies of hatching eggs. Demand ranged from light to moderate for irregular offering. Processing plants were on holiday schedules, but some were planning on five days. Floor stocks of finished product were clearing and ranged from about adequate to short of trade requirements. The market tone was fully steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 01-JAN-01

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	4-9.75	5.5-8	6.62
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

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